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1. THE FOLLOWING TWO DEVELOPMENTS ARE OF INTEREST TO SILBERMAN MISSION (REFTEL).

A) UK AMBASSADOR HERE HAS PRESSED ME SEVERAL TIMES THIS WEEK FOR SPECIFICS OF NEW ILO POLICY BEING FORMULATED BY CABINET LEVEL COMMITTEE AND HAS MADE IT CLEAR THAT UKG EXPECTS BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS TO GO BEYOND GENERAL PROPOSITIONS STATED IN U.S. LETTER OF INTENT. PRESUMABLY UK FOREIGN MINISTER CALLAGHAN AND POSSIBLY MINISTERS IN OTHER COUNTRIES WILL MAKE SIMILAR REQUESTS OF AMBASSADOR SILBERMAN.

B) FRG MISSION HAS TOLD US THAT MINISTER ARENDT WILL BE IN GENEVA TO DISCUSS ILO MATTERS INCLUDING US-ILO POLICY, WITH BLANCHARD ON JANUARY 28. THEY EXPECT ARENDT TO ANNOUNCE CANDIDACY OF HAASE FOR ILO GOVERNING BODY CHAIRMANSHIP AT THAT TIME.
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2. SHOULD AMB. SILBERMAN COMPLETE SCHEDULE OF
CONSULTATIONS ON FEB. 16-17, I SUGGEST THAT HE RETURN
TO BELGRADE VIA GENEVA AND REPEAT BRIEFING TO BLANCHARD AND
GIVE BLANCHARD RUNDOWN OF REACTIONS. IF THIS IS NOT POSSIBLE
I WILL NEED REPORT SO THAT I CAN BRIEF BLANCHARD. SINCE
CONFIDENCE AND COOPERATION OF BLANCHARD ARE CRUCIAL ELEMENT
FOR SUCCESS OF U.S. STRATEGY, WE SHOULD MAKE EFFORT TO KEEP
HIM AS WELL BRIEFED AS POSSIBLE. DALE

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